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## **FORMER JACKSON COUNTY ASSISTANT PROSECUTOR NAMED ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY IN MISSOURI**

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced today that Joseph Marquez, a former prosecutor for Jackson County, Mo., was sworn in as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri.

Marquez initially joined the office as a Special Assistant United States Attorney in March 2004, working in the office's Narcotics Unit. In this capacity, Marquez prosecutes a variety of narcotics conspiracy cases.

Prior to joining the United States Attorney's Office, Marquez worked 11 years as an assistant prosecutor in Jackson County. In that capacity, Marquez worked as Chief Trial Assistant and as a Trial Team Leader in Independence, Mo.

"Joe has been a successful prosecutor in the Kansas City area for quite some time and has done a lot of reputable work for the community," Graves said. "His leadership and prosecutorial experience working with Jackson County will certainly be an asset to our office."

Marquez received his juris doctorate from the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

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